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## **REMARKS**

Claims 18-22 were pending in the application. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating claims 18-22 are allowed.

In response to the Notice to Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosure, Applicants have amended the specification to include sequence identifiers for the amino acid and nucleotide sequences in figures 1A and 1B. Applicants have included the appropriate sequence identifiers in the brief description of the figures. No new matter has been added. Applicants request that the amendments to the specification be entered.

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would help expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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